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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Advisory Group Members

SUBJECT : Minutes of the 2 November 1976 Executive Advisory Group Meeting

1. The Executive Advisory Group (EAG) met on 2 November 1976 to agree upon minimum requirements for the CIA SIGINT program so that negotiations with NSA may proceed.

2. [ ] said at the opening that a related matter had just arisen. OASD (I) has proposed, for CFI review of the NFIP budget this week, that [ ] of the Agency's [ ] SIGINT funds be transferred to the CCP. IC Staff opposes the shift as premature. [ ] showed EAG members a draft CIA position opposing the shift which he wished to append to the CFI Issue Statement. Mr. Knoche approved it.

3. Since the last meeting on SIGINT on 19 October, the Task Force had written and distributed to the EAG papers presenting recommended Agency positions on [ ] CCP as a National Funding Mechanism. [ ] passed out a sheet itemizing the impact of these recommendations on the CIA program.

4. The six topics were discussed in turn. There were no significant disagreements. The recommendations, which generally contained fall-back positions, were all approved by Mr. Knoche as CIA positions for negotiation, with minor modifications. Mr. Knoche said it was important that chief of station authority be maintained, that on-site processing needs be met, and that we seek to accommodate NSA's wishes regarding [ ] and coordinated tasking.

5. It was agreed that the questions of CIA SIGINT positions (manning) and organization will be taken up after negotiations with NSA are underway.

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6. In the EAG executive session following the meeting, it was agreed that Mr. Knoche, himself, would begin negotiations with NSA to achieve agreement on general precepts. [ ] would conduct follow-up negotiations. Mr. Taylor was to ask [ ] to prepare a paper for the DDCI setting forth next steps and precepts. [ ] should also prepare a half-hour presentation on progress to date for the DCI, to take place in about ten days. Mr. Knoche will then make a decision regarding briefing appropriate people in the IC Staff.

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James H. Taylor  
Secretary  
Executive Advisory Group

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Advisory Group Members

SUBJECT : Minutes of the 28 October 1976 Executive  
Advisory Group Meeting

1. The Executive Advisory Group (EAG) met on 28 October to discuss a proposed notice by the Legislative Counsel (EAG 11) outlining new procedures for liaison with the Senate Select Committee, circulated at the last EAG meeting on Congressional relations on 5 October. Mr. Cary distributed an updated version. Adm. Murphy attended because the subject involved the IC Staff.

2. Mr. Knoche suggested that the meeting concentrate on Mr. Taylor's written comments on the notice, previously distributed, which urged focus not just on the Senate Select Committee but on all Congressional Committees with which we are directly involved and which suggested the re-establishment of some kind of a review staff mechanism.

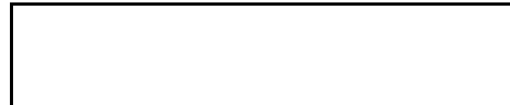
3. Mr. Cary said he had no problem with Mr. Taylor's recommendations. He would welcome a small staff within his office to perform the review function. Its responsibilities would require clarification; however, in general, it would serve as a clearing-house to monitor all communications with selected Congressional Committees and to identify problems; it would not make substantive judgments. OLC is planning to use the former Review Staff's registry.

4. Mr. Knoche asked Mr. Cary to put together a new draft within about ten days, coordinating this effort with Adm. Murphy and Mr. Taylor. If further discussion is necessary, the EAG

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would meet again on the notice. Once it is determined how many people will be needed for the review function, the DDA will be asked to find physical space for them.



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